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On page 1 of the claims, line 1, please replace "CLAIMS" with --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:-

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add an abstract as follows:

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A filling connection has an actuating element and a discharge connection on the valve body of the gas cylinder valve. In addition to the discharge connection a filling union is provided on the valve body. The filling union extends in its longitudinal direction, and actuating element are arranged opposite the discharge connection and at the side on the valve body. Preferred embodiments include having the discharge connection and the filling union arranged at right angles to one another on the valve body.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete Claims 1, and 3-14. Claim 2 will be deleted in response to the first Office Action.

Please add the following new claims:

Sub B' > 15. A filling connection for gas cylinder valves having an actuating element and a discharge connection on the valve body of the gas cylinder valve, comprising a filling union provided on the valve body in addition to the discharge connection, the filling union extending along a longitudinal axis of the filling union, with the actuating element being arranged opposite the discharge connection and at a side of the valve body.

16. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the discharge connection and the filling union are arranged at right angles to one another on the valve body.

17. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the filling union is disposed vertically.